## **CLAIMS**

- 1. An apatite particle represented by a molecular formula  $Ca_{10-x}Mg_x(PO_4)_6(OH)_2, \text{ where } x=1,2,\cdots,9, \text{ or by a chemical formula}$   $Ca_{8-x}Mg_xH_2(PO_4)_6, \text{ where } x=1,2,\cdots,7, \text{ with the particle size being 30 nm to}$
- 5 2500 nm, preferably 50 nm to 1000 nm and more preferably 50 nm to 300 nm.
  - 2. A method of producing an apatite particle represented by a molecular formula  $Ca_{10-x}Mg_x(PO_4)_6(OH)_2$ , where  $x=1,2,\cdots,9$ , or by a chemical formula  $Ca_{8-x}Mg_xH_2(PO_4)_6$ , where  $x=1,2,\cdots,7$ , with the particle size being 30 nm to 2500 nm, preferably 50 nm to 1000 nm and more preferably 50 nm
- to 300 nm, by incubating a solution containing inorganic phosphoric acid, calcium ions and magnesium ions for a predetermined time.
  - 3. An apatite particle- gene complex in which a specified gene is combined with an apatite particle which is represented by a molecular formula  $Ca_{10-x}Mg_x(PO_4)_6(OH)_2$ , where  $x = 1, 2, \dots, 9$ , or by a chemical formula
- 15  $Ca_{8-x}Mg_xH_2(PO_4)_6$ , where  $x = 1, 2, \dots, 7$ , with the particle size being 30 nm to 2500 nm, preferably 50 nm to 1000 nm and more preferably 50 nm to 300 nm.
  - 4. A method of transfecting a preset gene into a specified cell by incubating, with said specified cell, an apatite particle- gene complex in which a preset gene is combined with an apatite particle represented by a molecular formula
- Ca<sub>10-x</sub>Mg<sub>x</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>6</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>, where  $x = 1, 2, \dots, 9$ , or by a chemical formula  $Ca_{8-x}Mg_xH_2(PO_4)_6, \text{ where } x = 1, 2, \dots, 7, \text{ with the particle size being 30 nm to}$ 2500 nm, preferably 50 nm to 1000 nm and more preferably 50 nm to 300 nm.